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WEATHER.

Rain and Warmer Tonight; Wed-

nesday Cloudy and Colder.

For the District of Columbia, eastern

Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware,

Maryland and Virginia, rain and

warmer tonight. Wednesday cloudy and

colder; fresh southeast winds, shifting

The western disturbance of Monday

has advanced to the Mississippi valley

with rapidly increasing intensity; it

has caused general rains throughout the gulf and Atlantic states, except

northern New England, and in the Ohio

and middle Mississippi valleys, and

upper Mississippi valley. It has been

preceded by a general increase in tem-perature over the Mississippi valley

and the districts east thereof, and is

being followed by rapidly falling tem

The indications are that there will

Tide Tables.

Today—Low tide, 12:08 a.m. and 12:07 p.m.; high tide, 5:55 a.m. and 5:55 p.m. Tomorrow—Low tide, 12:50 a.m. and 12:50 p.m.; high tide, 6:39 a.m. and 6:29 a.m.

Records for Twenty-Four Hours.

The following were the readings of

Weather in Various Cities.

Rainfall, 8 a.m. to 8 a.m. 10 west tre last night...

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NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Beeves—Receipts, 683 head; no trading.
Calves—Receipts, 139 head; firm.
Veals, 8.00a12.50; culls, 6.00a7.50; year-lings and barnyard calves, 4.50a6.00.
Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 1.519; steady. Sheep, 3.00a5.50; lambs, 7.50a
9.10; culls, 6.00a7.00.
Hogs—Receipts, 1,560 head; no trading.

New York Mercantile Paper.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Mercan-tile paper, 4a4½. Sterling exchange weak; 60-day bills, 4.82; for cables, 4.8565; for demand, 4.8519. Bar silver,

ACTS AGAINST W. A. MEARNS.

H. M. Jordan Files Petition to Have

Him Declared Bankrupt.

Application was made to the Bank-

uptcy Court late this afternoon to have

William A. Mearns, former member of

snow in the upper lake region and the

to northwest Wednesday.

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The real evidence of good banking is not

found in an advertisement, but in the bank

itself. Our aim is to serve our depositors

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SAFETY: FOR: SAVINGS

courteously, faultlessly and consistently.

INCREASED ACTIVITY IN THE STEEL TRADE

Rate Decision Brings Rail Orders With More Prospects-War's Demands Urgent.

Stocks and Fonds Slow-Railroad Earnings Show Large Losses; Some Gains-Gossip.

BY I. A. FLEMING.

The far-reaching effect of the rate decision will not be fully evidenced for some time to come, but the first fruits are being garnered, and in steel rail and equipment circles the promise of the future is sufficiently favorable to have changed pessimistic to optimistic talk. Some of the larger steel producers, including the United States Steel Corporation, are now insisting on higher prices

on orders for future delivery. on orders for future delivery.

Orders for rails and structural shapes have been received in such proportions that the Steel Corporation now expects an increase of about 200,000 tons in the unfilled orders on its books at the end of the fourth quarter of the year, instead of the smallest earnings for years anticinated up to a week or ten years, anticipated up to a week or ten days ago.

Moreover, it will be the first monthly increase in unfilled tonnage of the corporation since the European war broke out. An order has just been received for 100,000 tons of rails—nothing like the business of normal periods, but very welcome just the same. Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Ohio, Reading and New York Central are considered especially promising "possibilities" of the future for rail orders. Naturally, any improvement primarily due to the rate decision cannot include the foreign orders for war material and war purposes, but these, in so far as they may be filled, have also turned the energies of many steel mills into production, after a rather prolonged period of dormant inactivity.

The wire mills are working on orders for thousands of tons of material for the warring nations, over 100,000 by Moreover, it will be the first monthly

for the warring nations, over 100,000 Missouri Pacific... 9% 9% tons being booked within two or three Nat. Biscuit pfd... 120½ 120½ days. days.

Ordinarily the steel trade is the first to give the sign of approaching quietness in business and the first to indicate the revival. Because of conditions other than normal, signs may fail, but steel men are encouraged to believe that the improvement is real and will continue.

Dividends Declared.

Shareholders in corporations found last week less unfavorable in the matter of reduced and passed dividends than its predecessor. In all seventyfive corporations took action on the div idend question. Four companies reduced their dividend, one, the Virginia Chemical Company, deferred action. Three companies declared extra dis-tributions and two increased their pay-

The Chicago City and Connecting The Chicago City and Connecting Railways Company, cut its semi-annual distribution a dollar a share on preferred stock and the Pennsylvania Company made its annual rate 4 per cent. These were the important adverse changes. Central Leather Company increased its dividend on company increased its dividend on common stock 1 per cent. Other changes were unimportant.

Dividends to be acted on this week are decidedly important.

Applies for Membership.

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Charles C. Glover, jr., has made application for membership on the Washington Stock Exchange. The membership of his father, Charles C. Glover president of the Riggs National Bank has been posted for transfer to the son Local Bonds

The session of the local exchange has assumed, or still maintains, a holiday atmosphere. While there is considerable inquiry around brokers offices of both a buying and selling trend, the volume of daily transaction does not indicate any investment buy-ing of importance. Members of the exchange are looking forward to betexchange are looking forward to better business conditions after the January disbursements have been made and trading in stocks resumed. Bonds will certainly be more active after January 1, on reinvestment of disbursements. The only sale on the call this afternoon was of Railway 4s; the price was \$\cap{8.2}\$.

New York Stocks. The administration's communication

with England on shipping matters Southern Ry. 43..... 641/2 641/2 641/2 641/2 brought some little selling with the opening of the New York exchange, followed by a rally. As the session were on duliness became marked and profit-taking by longs turned the mar-ket weaker, though declines were by

o means serious.

Dominant factors were a decrease in Wells Fargo Company earnings for July, August and September of \$202,595; a loss of \$5,349,656 in the gross earnings loss of \$5,349,656 in the gross earnings of Canadian Pacific for November, turned by economies to a net loss of \$2,244,174; the refusal of the public service commission of New York to permit an issue of \$90,000,000 4 per cent bonds and the communication to England, noted previously. Union Pacific lost a point, Reading %. Canadian Pacific ½, Copper %; Mop ½, Baltimore and Ohio % and others fractionally, while Steel comman was firm and Mexican Petroleum made a point advance.

Financial Notes.

The British-American Tobacco Com pany, for the fiscal year ending with September, increased its surplus £172. while its net earnings increased £25.186.

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LONDON MONEY.

LONDON, December 29.-Bar silver, 22% d per ounce.
Money, 1% per cent.
Discount rates—Short and three
months, 2% per cent.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET. INITIATIVE LACKING Open. High. Low. Close.

NEW YORK, December 29, 10:30 a.m. Union Pacific, Amalgamated and several

Baltimore and Ohio and Mexican Petro 44% er than other leaders. A moderate rally Brooklyn Rap. Tran . 8414 8414 8414 8414

Short Interest Tests Market.

Washington advices giving further details of this government's note to Great Britain concerning interference with American marine commerce were the subject of general discussion in financial circles and exercised some effect upon the market.

Following the early rally, prices dropped back slightly, after which trading came almost to a standstill. There was no initiative, except from the short interests, which tested the market from time to time in search of weak spots.

weak spots.

Missouri, Kansas and Texas preferred dropped four points to within a fraction of its minimum.

tion of its minimum.

Bonds were irregular.

The midsession was marked by increasing dullness, dealings dwindling to insignificant proportions.

Prices hung between the high and low of the morning, but the movement as a whole was featureless.

Washington Stock Exchange.

Washington Railway 4s, \$1,000 at 80%

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S. coupon 2s
S. registered 3s
S. coupon 8s
S. registered 4s
S. coupon 4s 81/8 261/8 9% 9% 0 Nat. Biscuit pfd..... 1201/2 1201/2 1201/2 1201/2 GAS BONDS.

Georgetown Gas 5s......

Washington Gas 5s......

Columbia Gas and Electric 5s.... Nevada Copper..... 11½ 11½ 11¾ 11¾ New York Central... 83½ 83¼ 83½ 83¾ 5434 Penna Railroad.... 1041/4 1043/4 1041/4 1043/4 M Railway Steel com... 223/8 223/8 223/8 223/8 | Railway Steel com. | 1278 | 2278 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 | 2478 |

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

CHICAGO.

Northern Pacific 4s... 89 891/8 89 891/8 ed, wheat having turned upgrade, and there being a cold wave in prospect Penna con. 4:1948... 971/2 971/2 971/2 971/2 The close was firm, % to 11/4 above Reading Ry. 4s..... 93 9314 93 9314 Southern Pacific 4s... 831/8 831/8 831/8 831/8

last night.				
WHEAT— December May	Open. 126 128½	High. 127% 130%	Low. 1241/4 127%	127% 129%
CORŇ- December May	66%		66 721/2	
OATS— December May ,		40% 54%	491/4 531/4	49% 54

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, December 29 .- Flourteady. Wheat—Futures without transactions

Pork—Steady.
Beef—Quiet.
Lard—Steady; middle west, 10.69a10.70.

NEW YORK, December 29.—The cotton market showed renewed firmness early today. Liverpool made a very steady showing, and after opening at an advance of 1 to 4 points the local market sold five to six points net higher, with the active months working a point or two above yesterday's high level.

There was some realizing on the advance, and New Orleans sold a little cotton here, but offerings from southern sources were not heavy enough to attract any special attention, while houses with foreign western and Wall street con-Lard—Steady; middle west, 10.50210.70.
Molasses—Steady.
Hay—Firm; prime, 1.15; No. 1, 1.10;
No. 2, 1.00; No. 3, 9; shipping, 75285.
Hides—Steady.
Leather—Firm.
Raw sugar—Firmer; centrifugal,
4.07; molasses, 3.42; refined, steady.
Sugar futures opened steady. At noon
prices were 2 to 3 points net higher
on sales of 200 tons.

any special attention, while houses with foreign, western and Wall street connections were moderate buyers.

Futures opened firm, as follows: December offered, 7.45; March, 7.82; May, 8.01; July, 8.23; October, 8.48.

Realizing became more active during the middle of the morning and prices eased some 4 or 5 points below the closing figures of yesterday. Offerings were not aggressive, however, and trading became less active around midday while prices rallied some 3 or 4 points from the lowest.

BALTIMORE.

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Wheat—Steady; spot No. 2 red, 125%; Spot No. 2 red, 125%; February No. 2 red, 125%; February No. 2 red, 125%; February No. 2 red, 127%; steamer No. 2 red, 127%; receipts, 44,152 bushels.

Corn—Easier; new spot contract, 73%; From the lowest.

require stamps when presented for redemption.

Cotton exports to date are about 44 per cent of the total to this date in louisville and Nashville for the third week in December shows decrease in earnings of \$270,965. Southern railway lost \$320,042 in earnings for the corresponding week last year. Texas Pacific earnings decreased during the same week, \$79,052.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Lead—Quiet, 3.75a3.85; London, £19. Spelter—Quiet, 5.55a5.60; London, £27

CHICAGO DAIRY MARKET.

SEEK TO ISSUE BONDS TO FINANCE EXTENSIONS

Permission of Public Utilities Commission Asked by W. R. & E. Co.

Permission to issue bonds to finance seen requested of the public utilities commission by the Washington Rail-way and Electric Company.

Officials of the company, including Clarence P. King, president; W. F. Ham, vice president, and S. R. Bower secretary, discussed the matter today with Engineer Commissioner Kutz, chairman of the commission. The total amount of bonds proposed to be issued has not been made public.

Improvements to Be Undertaken. Among the improvements to be unertaken for which funds are needed are the extension on 14th street, beween F street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest, so as to provide direct transportation over the company's transportation over the company's lines between the northwest section of the city and the bureau of engraving and printing and other government department buildings in that vicinity; the Congress Heights' extension over Nichols avenue to Upsal street; the Portland street line to the steel plant and others.

Instead of financing each improvement separately, the company wants to issue enough bonds at one time to provide for its entire improvement program. Commissioner Kutz said the request would be considered carefully by the commission before a decision

ARMY APPROPRIATION **BILL GOES TO HOUSE**

Aggregates \$101,144,588, Almost \$3,000,000 Below War Department's Estimates.

The army appropriation bill aggregat ing \$101,144,588, almost \$3,000,000 below the War Department's estimates, but including new items of \$50,000 for purchase and manufacture of armored motor cars and half of a \$600,000 appropriation for the signal service to be devoted to "purses, maintenance and operation of airthips and other aerial machines and acssories," was reported to the House to day by the military committee.

The bill carries a nominal appropria-tion for special instruction of army aviators at a technical school in Massa chusetts and \$26,000 for expense of army observers detailed to go to Europe to watch the war. The latter was at the special request of Secretary Garrison, who pointed out that a number of army officers already have been detailed to follow the European armies in the field and that more would be detailed and that their information undoubtedly would result in increased efficiency and economy in the army. The Secretary said the officers so detailed must understand the language of the country to which they are sent, and must have marked ability in their special arm of the service.

Sale of the army transports Meade and Crook is authorized. at the special request of Secretary

Items in the Bill.

The bill includes: Encampments an naneuvers of the organized militia for field instruction with the regular army, \$250,000, including \$50,000 for transportation of militia teams participatthe field artillery of the militia; transportation of the army and its supplies, \$10,516,000, including movements of transports in the gulf and elsewhere; manufacture of field artillery, of the organized militia, \$2,000,000, and \$2,900,000 for ammunition for the militia field artillery; ordnance stores and supplies, \$1,100,000; manufacture and ammunition for small arms for target practice in the army, \$800,000; ammunition, etc., for reserve supply of small arms, \$100,000; current expenses of ordnance departments, \$325,000; manufacture, repair and issuance of arms at the national armories, \$250,000, and purchase, manufacture and test of automatic machine rifles, \$150,000. ing in the national match, and \$200,000

PREFER SALE OF SITES

Leasing of Waterpower Opposed in Senate-Substitute Bill

Introduced.

Opposition to the Ferris waterpower public lands committee, took shape today in the introduction by Senator committee, of a bill to dispose of power | Johnson failure. sites on public lands by outright sale. Senator Smoot of Utah, another memthe sites.

The Works bill would authorize the The Works bill would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to sell water-power sites, instead of leasing them, at a value based on their availability for power sites. Such sales would be limited to those who had first procured certificates from state authorities that they had a right under state law to the use of the water.

The various states would be given the power to regulate the charges for

the power to regulate the charg power, subject to the right of a person in a foreign state using the power to apply to the interstate commerce comfor regulation of the rate as

HINTS AT HOUSE REVOLT

Smith of Minnesota Demands That Minor Bills Be Given a Chance This Session.

The first obstacle in the way of the program of House leaders to press appropriation bills in order to complete the work of the session by March 4 made its appearance today, when Representative Smith (republican) of Minesota revolted.

In a vigorous speech Representative Smith warned the democrats that he would proceed to obstructive tactics unless some arrangement were made for the consideration of miscellaneous minor bills "of interest to individual

CHICAGO. December 29.—Butter—
Higher; creamery, 24a34.
Eggs—Unsettled; receipts, 4,612 cases; at mark, cases included, 22a33; ordinary firsts, 20a31; firsts, 33a33½.
Potatoes—Unchanged; receipts, 21 cars.
Live pountry—Unsettled: springs, 11; fowls, 11½a12; turkeys, 13a14.

TWO FORMER MEMBERS OF FAILED BANK SUED

Wolcott Tuckerman Brings Action Against William A. Mearns and Charles P. Williams.

Seeks to Hold Defendants for Claim of \$15,000 Against Lewis Johnson & Co.

Suit for discovery, injunction and ac rman against William A. Mearns an the brokerage firm of Lewis Johnson & Co. He seeks to hold the defendants for claim of \$15,000 against the bankrup

The court is asked to compel the de fendants to disclose what, if any, prop erty they own, and an injunction is re quested against Mr. Mearns to preven ton Stock Exchange or the conveyance of his equity in premises 2301 S street north west. The plaintiff also wishes to prevent Mr. Mearns receiving the rent of the property pending an accounting of his alleged claim.

Recites Dealings With Firm. Mr. Tuckerman recites his dealings

with Lewis Johnson & Co., who had acted as his brokers for many years. He also tells the court that January to the consent of his partners, to with the consent of his partners, to withdraw from the firm, and similar action was taken by Mr. Mearns May 13, 1914. No notice of the withdrawals was given the plaintiff by Williams and Mearns or by the remaining partners, Mr. Tuckerman asserts, and he has never expressly or otherwise released or discharged Mearns and Williams from any obligation arising from their connection with the firm, now bankrupt. The plaintiff declares he had no knowledge until the bankruptcy proceedings that Mr. Mr. Tuckerman declares that Mearns and Williams are "utterly insolvent" and that they "speculated on their individual account with the money and credit of their copartnership firm and with their customers' money and securities under fictitious names."

Charges Indebtedness. 15, 1913, Mr. Williams undertook, with

Charges Indebtedness.

The alleged speculations ended disstrously, it is declared by the plaintiff, to that when Williams left the firm he was indebted in a sum in excess of of \$200,000. These indebtednesses, the court is told, are now due either to the customers of the firm or to the bankrupts' estate.
Attorneys Charles C. Tucker and H.
B. F. Macfarland represent the plaintiff.

FIGHTS FOR RAILWAY STOCK.

T. B. Hutchinson Brings Action and Justice McCoy Cites Defendants. Justice McCoy today cited the Mun

sey Trust Company and the receivers of Lewis Johnson & Co. to show cause January 9 why they should not be enjoined from disposing of fifty share of the common stock of the Atchison, The indications are that there will be snows tonight and probably Wednesday in the region of the great lakes, and snow or rain in New York, New England and the Ohio valley. In the middle Atlantic and south Atlantic states rain tonight will be followed by clearing weather Wednesday, while in the east gulf states the weather will be fair tonight and Wednesday. The winds along the New England coast will be increasing southeast; on the middle Atlantic coast increasing south, shifting to northwest Wednesday; on the south Atlantic coast fresh to strong south, shifting to west by Wednesday morning; on the east gulf coast fresh to strong south, shifting to northwest. Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Com pany, and why the trust company should not surrender the certificate to Thomas B. Hutchinson, who claims to The citation is based on a suit filed

by Mr. Hutchinson through Attorneys Hamilton, Yerkes & Hamilton, in which ne tells the court that last January he directed the brokers to buy the stock for him and paid them \$4,900, the full purchase price. The certificate was issued by the company in his name, the plaintiff says, and reached the brokerage firm by mail. The brokers neglected to send him the certificate, the plaintiff control of the plaintiff control of

weather bureau for the twenty-four weather bureau for the twenty-four hours beginning at 2 p.m. yesterday: Thermometer—Yesterday, 4 p.m., 35; 8 p.m., 35; 12 midnight, 31; today, 4 am., 31; 8 a.m., 31; 12 noon, 34; 2 p.m., 33. Maximum, 36 at 3 p.m., yesterday; minimum, 30, at 2 a.m. today. Temperature same date last year—Maximum, 42; minimum, 27.

Barometer—Yesterday, 4 p.m., 30.31; 8 p.m., 30.30; 12 midnight, 30.23; today, 4 a.m., 30.31; 8 a.m., 30.06; 12 noon, 29.90; 2 p.m., 29.73.

G. L. Nicolson Go to Court. Horace M. Jordan has filed suit against William A. Mearns, seeking to old him liable for a balance of \$3,015 due the plaintiff by the bankrupt firm of Lewis Johnson & Co. Mr. Jordan says his transactions with the firm began in February, 1910, when Mr. Mearns was a member of the partner ship. The plaintiff is represented by Attorney John Ridout.

Mr. Mearns is also named defendant in a suit filed by William F. Dennis site leasing bill, now before the Senate and George L. Nicolson to recover \$2 .-120.50. The alleged indebtedness is in connection with a stock purchase, but Works of California, a member of the does not happen to grow out of the

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St. Paul 29,58 20 20 Through Attorney Nathaniel Wilson the plaintiffs say they purchased ber of the committee, will introduce a jointly with Mr. Mearns the assets of bill on the subject tomorrow, recogniz- a corporation known as the Monolith Steel Company. They declare they expended for Mr. Mearns \$1,105.38 March 20 last, and \$1,015.17 June 15, 1914. Although requested frequently, they allege, Mr. Mearns has neglected to reimburse them.

THE COURTS.

District Supreme Court.

EQUITY COURT NO. 1-Justice McCov Hutchinson agt. Munsey Trust Company; rule returnable January 9; plaintiff's attorneys, Hamilton, Yerkes & Hamilton.
Breitenbach agt. Breitenbach; rule re-turnable January 9; plaintiff's attorney, Mark Stearman.

PROBATE COURT—Justice McCoy.
In re Margaret F. Banner; order of allowance; attorneys, Herbert & Micou.
Estate of Seth M. Barton; letters of administration granted to Benjamin Micou; bond, \$1,200; attorneys, Herbert & Micou. E Micou.

Estate of Mary E. Wilson; letters of Light of Mary E. Wilson; letters of Light of L son.

Estate of Maria A. Herrmann; petition for probate of will filed; attorney, H. A. Heitmuller.

Estate of Henry T. Wright; exemplified copy of will dated March 19, 1901,

filed. Estate of Calvin H. Chadsey; petition for letters of administration filed; attorney, George F. Curtis. Estate of Emma C. Hough; will dated August 26, 1914, filed. CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Johnson & Co., declared bankrupt. The CHICAGO, December 29.—Hogs—Receipts, 42,000 head; slow; bulk, 1.10g7.20; ight, 6.30g7.20; mixed, 6.90g7.25; heavy, 5.55g7.25; rough, 6.85g6.95; pigs, 5.50g request is made by Horace M. Jordan, who says Mr. Mearns is indebted to him 7.20. Cattle—Receipts, 8,000 head; slow; native steers, 5.40a10.00; western, 5.10a 8.00; cows and helfers, 2.15a3.20; calves, 7.25a9.75. Sheep—Receipts, 20,000 head; weak; sheep, 5.80a6.70; yearlings, 6.85a7.50; lambs, 7.00a8.85.

Real Estate Transfers.

NOS. 2222 AND 2224 12TH STREET
NORTHWEST AND NO. 67 L
STREET NORTHWEST. — Lizzetta
Strauss to Albert A. Strauss; lots 191
and 192, square 271 and lot 94,
square 620; \$10.
NO. 1511 IST STREET NORTHWEST.—Alice R. Plant to Helen
Dierkoph; lot 230, square 615; 10.
BARRY FARM—Mary M. D. Jones to
Millard Jones; lot 868, square 5869;
\$1.

Millard Jones; lot 868, square 5869; \$1.

NO. 1909 9TH STREET NORTHWEST and REAR.—Gerald H. Totten et ux. to Roland Evans; lot 24, and part original lot 12, square 402: \$5.

TRUESDELL'S ADDITION TO WASH-INGTON HEIGHTS—Mildred J. Smith to Garland P. and Mary M. Robinson, lot 254; \$10.

WEAVER'S PROSPECT AND EFFING-HAM PLACE—Baptist Ministers and Laymen's Union of the District of Columbia to Stoddard Baptist Home, part of Weaver's Prospect and lot 10, block 17, Effingham place; \$10.

NO. 2313 N STREET NORTHWEST—Henry C. Harding et ux. to Cora 0. Woodard, lot 17, square 35; \$10.

NO. 503 E STREET SOUTHWEST—Clarence E. Halley et ux. to John P. McKenna, part original lot 6, square 494; \$10.

ALLEY between 15th and 16th streets, A and B streets southeast—Francis D. Klimbiewicz et ux. to James J. Shea, lot 44, square 1072; \$10.

SHERWOOD—Clara A. Marden et vir, Edwin R., to Adam Harpold, lot 22, square 4245; \$300.

SHERWOOD—Melvin A. Caudle et ux. to Clara A. Marden, lot 57, square 4223; \$1.

VILLA PARK—Clara A. Marden et vir, Edwin R., to Adam Harpold, lot 42, Edwin R., to Adam Harpold, lot

to Clara A. Marden, lot 57, square 4223; \$1.

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VILLA PARK—Clara A. Marden et vir, Edwin R. to Edwin F. Wolf, lot 6, square 4226; \$448.

VILLA PARK—Clara A. Marden et vir, Edwin R., to Adam Harpold, lot 23, square 4244; \$426.

WOODRIDGE—Henry A. Vieth et ux. to Erma Brown, west half lot 6, square 4336; \$10.

NO. 720 UPSHUR STREET NORTH-WEST—Milton W. Drennan et ux. to Harry Wardman and Thomas Bones, lot 93, square 37, Petworth; \$10.

ARMY-NAVY.

Army Orders.

Capt. Louis R. Ball, 6th Cavalry, will proceed to the hospital at the Presidio of San Francisco, Cal., for observation and treatment.

The leave of absence granted Capt. William G. Ball, 16th Infantry, is extended one month. Private John L. Sullivan, Quartermaster Corps, Washington barracks, D. C., will be sent to Fort Reno remount depot,

Okla for duty. First Lieut. Allison B. Deans, jr., Coast Artillery Corps. is relieved from treat ment at the Letterman General Hospital the Presidio of San Francisco, Cal., and will proceed to the hospital at Fort Bay-ard, N. M., for observation and treat-

Leave of absence for two months, on account of surgeon's certificate of disa-bility, is granted Capt. Peyton G. Clark, 6th Infantry.

Leave of absence for three months, on surgeon's certificate of disability, is granted Capt. Irving J. Carr, Quartermaster

Corps.

Pirst Lieut. Harry Q. Fletcher, Medical
Reserve Corps, is relieved from duty at
Fort Ogelthorpe, Ga., and will proceed to
his home. Fort Ogelthorpe, Ga., and will proceed to his home.

Private Raymond Dailey, Troop I, 5th Cavalry, Fort Myer, Va., will be sent to Fort Yellowstone, Wyo., for duty with the Yellowstone Park detachment.

First Lieut. Shelby C. Leasure, 7th Infantry, is detailed as professor of military science and tactics at Rutgers Scientific School, New Brunswick, N. J.

Maj. Amos A. Fries, Corps of Engineers, will proceed to Portland, Ore, for duty, to relieve Lieut. Col. Charles H. McKinstry, Corps of Engineers, temperarily.

H. McKinstry, Corps of Engineers, temporarily.

First Sergt. Charles Braunn, Company M, 7th Infantry, and First Sergt. Floyd L. Thomas, Company C, 13th Infantry, are placed upon the retired list.

The following-named officers will report for duty pertaining to the annual inspection of the organized militia: Capt. John Robertson, 27th Infantry; First Lieut. Deas Archer, 26th Infantry, and First Lieut. Charles C. Bankhead, 28th Infantry.

Leave of absence for one month is granted First Lieut. Everett A. Anderson, Medical Reserve Corps.

The resignation of First Lieut. Howard Lilienthal, Medical Reserve Corps, has been accepted by the President, to take effort December 28, 1916. has been accepted by the President, to take effect December 26, 1914.

Maj. Albert E. Truby, Medical Corps, is relieved from duty with Evacuation Hospital No. 1, Galveston, Tex., and will return to his proper station, Fort Jay. N. Y. Jay, N. Y.
Capt. Clarence H. Connor, Medical
Corps, is relieved from duty with
Evacuation Hospital No. 1, Galveston,
Tex., and will return to his proper station, Fort Wood, N. Y.

Naval Orders.

Capt. S. S. Wood, to general board. Navy Department, Washington, D. C. Commander M. E. Reed, from command Machias to home and wait orders. Commander F. Lyon, from Kansas to

who says Mr. Mearns is indebted to him in the sum of \$3.015. He declares the broker is insolvent, and has less than twelve creditors.

Justice McCoy issued a rule returnable January 15 for the alleged bankrupt to show cause why the petition of his creditor should not be granted.

Attorneys John Ridout and W. J. Bacon, jr., are counsel for the creditor.

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yard, Puget Sound, Wash.
Pay Director James Hoy, U. S. N.,
retired, died at London, England, December 14, 1914. to Washington cember 14, 1914.

Naval Movements.

The Texas has arrived at New York yard, the Culgoa at the New York yard, the K-7 and K-8 at San Diego, the Tennessee at Alexandria, Egypt, and the Annapolis at Mazatlan The Uncas has sailed from Philadelhia for Norfolk, the Iroqueis from San Diego for Mare Island, the Denver from San Pedro for San Francisco, and the Glacier from Mazatlan for San

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